

Decision No. 9551

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
the COUNTY OF TULARE for permission
to construct a public highway at
grade over the tracks of Southern
Pacific Railroad Company on the
north line of the southwest quarter
of Section 34 in Township 19 South,
Range 24 East, Mt. Diablo Base and
Meridian.

Application No. 6407.

W. W. Middlecoff for Applicant.

Frank B. Austin for Southern Pacific Co.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

In this application the County of Tulare requests permission to construct an east and west road on the center line of Section 34, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, M.D.B.M., extending easterly over the tracks of the Southern Pacific at a point about 2½ miles north of Tulare.

A public hearing was held at Tulare before Examiner Westover.

The reason advanced by witnesses at the hearing for the establishment of the crossing is that about 15 farmers located to the west of the proposed crossing, largely engaged in dairying, would be able to slightly shorten their distance to Tulare and other points on the State Highway which parallels and adjoins the railroad right of way on the east, which, in this locality, extends northerly and southerly. It would also enable them to travel a somewhat greater distance on the concrete pavement rather than use

